

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 950

Introduced by Assembly Member Salas

February 22, 2007

An act to amend Section 68075 of the Education Code, relating to public postsecondary education.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 950, as introduced, Salas. Public postsecondary education: resident classification: military veterans and members of their immediate families.

Existing law establishes uniform student residency requirements for purposes of ascertaining the amount of tuition and fees to be paid by students of public postsecondary education institutions. An undergraduate student at a campus of the California State University or the California Community Colleges is entitled to resident classification for the purpose of determining tuition and fees, if that student is a member of the Armed Forces of the United States stationed in this state on active duty. A graduate student at the California State University is entitled to resident classification for the purpose of determining tuition and fees, for no more than one academic year, if that student is a member of the Armed Forces of the United States stationed in this state on active duty. Members of the Armed Forces assigned for educational purposes to a state-supported institution of higher education are excluded from these residency classifications. Existing law requests the Regents of the University of California to establish the same residency requirements for students enrolled at the University of California.

This bill would eliminate the one-year limitation on resident classification for graduate students, and would additionally entitle members of the military reserves and military veterans, as well as members of the immediate families of those persons, to resident classification. The bill would request the Regents of the University of California to establish the same residency requirements as those established by this bill for students enrolled at the University of California.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 68075 of the Education Code is amended
2 to read:

3 68075. (a) An undergraduate student who is a member of the
4 ~~armed forces~~ *Armed Forces* of the United States stationed in this
5 state on active duty, ~~except a member of the Armed Forces~~
6 ~~reserves, a veteran, as defined in Section 88113, or a member of~~
7 ~~his or her immediate family, other than a member of the armed~~
8 ~~forces~~ *Armed Forces* assigned for educational purposes to a
9 state-supported institution of higher education, is entitled to
10 resident classification only for the purpose of determining the
11 amount of tuition and fees.

12 (b) A student seeking a graduate degree who is a member of
13 ~~the armed forces~~ *Armed Forces* of the United States stationed in
14 this state on active duty, ~~except a member of the Armed Forces~~
15 ~~reserves, a veteran, as defined in Section 88113, or a member of~~
16 ~~his or her immediate family, other than a member of the armed~~
17 ~~forces~~ *Armed Forces* assigned for educational purposes to a
18 state-supported institution of higher education, shall be entitled to
19 resident classification only for the purpose of determining the
20 amount of tuition and fees ~~for no more than one academic year,~~
21 ~~and shall thereafter be subject to Article 5 (commencing with~~
22 ~~Section 68060).~~

23 (c) As used in this section, “member of his or her immediate
24 family” includes the spouse, children, stepchildren, and wards of
25 the *Armed Forces* member, reserve member, or veteran, as well
26 as any persons for whom the *Armed Forces* member, reserve
27 member, or veteran is a legal guardian. As used in this section,

1 *“member of his or her immediate family” does not include a*
2 *cousin, uncle, aunt, niece, or nephew of the Armed Forces member,*
3 *reserve member, or veteran.*

4 SEC. 2. The Legislature hereby requests the Regents of the
5 University of California to establish the same residency
6 classifications for students enrolled at the University of California
7 as those enacted by Section 68075 of the Education Code, as
8 amended by Section 1 of this act.

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